GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3546
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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXPENDITURE REFORMS COMMITTEE
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to wind up two associate bodies attached to Steel Ministry as per the recommendations of the Expenditure Reforms Committee;

(b) if so, the factual position in this regard;

(c) the other recommendations made by the Committee;

(d) the extent to which these have been accepted and implemented;

(e) whether there is a proposal to bring the Ministry of Steel, Mines, Minerals and Coal in one department; and

(f) if so, the extent to which it would help in improving the steel production in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a),(b)&(d): The Ministry of Steel has initiated the examination of the recommendations of the Expenditure Reforms Commission (ERC) as contained in its 6th Report for further action as appropriate.

(c) Other main recommendations made by the ERC include:

1. Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)/Government managed companies under the Ministry of Steel

For eight out of twelve PSUs and one Govt. managed company, scope for disinvestment/privatisation/closure should be examined with a definite time frame.

2. Ministry of Steel
To examine the possibility to reduce Group `C` & `D` employees and introduction of Desk Officer system.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.